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SUBJECT: THE ORGANISATION OF THE USTASHIES ABROAD.
 SOURCE: MAJOR Svetozar BOGICVICH-LONDON.
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At the head of the organisation continues to be "Foglavnik" (Führer) of the Independent State of Croatia, Dr. Ante PAVELICH - criminal of war. Considering various informations PAVELICH after having left Yugoslavia was living in Austria in a villa near Celovec. In the Spring of 1946 he went to Italy to Rome, accompanied by an unknown person (It could probably be the Ustashi Lieutenant DOSEN) and dressed in the clothes of a catholic priest and under the false name of "Don Pedro Gonner" he lived in Rome in the catholic college in Via Giacomo Belli. He has a Spanish passport under the above mentioned name, which passport was given to him by the Spanish Consulat in Milan. Considering the last informations, which have not been valid, PAVELICH has gone to America (Canada or South America) over Spain.

The Leaders of the Ustashi Movement. - In Italy at the head of the ustashi movement is Colonel PEONIKAR, former commander of the Police of the Independent State of Croatia. In Austria this function is performed by Lovro SUSICH, former minister in the Independent State of Croatia, and his helper for the British zone is a Bozidar KARAN.

All three of them dispose of great amounts of money, and they finance the whole ustashi activity.

The ideological leader of the ustashi movement in Italy is (Dr.) Krunoslav DRAGANOVICH, priest and professor of theology, who should represent at the Vatican the interests of the croatian emigration. This authorisation he received from all the catholic Bishops in Yugoslavia, but he has put himself to represent only the ustashes and their interests. A cruel and uncompromised ustasha, who upholds the "ustashi spirit" among the ustashi emigrants in Italy also in Austria.

A close collaborator and helper of DRAGANOVICH is (Dr.) Ivan RADJEREC.

Both of them live in the Society "St. Jeronimo" in Rome, Via Tomacelli no. 132.

The Committee of Croatian refugees in Rome. - For an instrument for PEONIKAR and DRAGANOVICH is the so called "COMMITTEE OF CROATIAN REFUGEES IN ROME", which has its seat in the "Society of St. Jeronimo" in Via Tomacelli 132, mezanin.

The official formation of this committee is the following:

- President: Ante BUDIMIROVICH, former delegate of the H.S.S., who on the proclamation of the Independent State of Croatia withdrew and joined the ustashes.

Vice President: (Dr.) Josip REBERSKI, former member of Parliament for H.S.S. For him it is said that he is not an ustashi, but that he is a hesitator, who himself does not know what he wants, or where he will go;

Secretary: (Dr.) Josip RASPUDICH, Ustashi, criminal of war, former chief of the political section of the State Police in the Independent State of Croatia and chief of cabinet of the minister for the Interior. Members of the Committee: (Dr.) Zvonko PINTEROVICH, Ustashi, a professor; (Dr.) Josip BUTURAC, Ustashi, former ustashi commissar for industry in the Independent State of Croatia; (Dr.) Salko BANJICH, Y former consul of the Independent State of Croatia in Ljubljana;

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Dr.) ~~Marijan BANICH~~, Ustashi, former chief of the Sanitary Academy in the Independent State of Croatia; ~~Fra KODRICH~~, priest, Ustashi; ~~Dr. Rudo SARICEVICH~~, Ustashi; ~~Mate VIDICH~~, Ustashi; ~~Mira MALENICA~~ (It seems that her real surname is ~~BALICH~~), student, poisoned Ustashi and the Commander of the "Womens branch of the Ustashi Youths"; ~~Dr. Ivan PEJICH~~, Ustashi, former employer of the Town Marie in Zagreb during the Independent State of Croatia; ~~Pavo ILJAN~~, Ustashi, professor and head of the section of the Ministry of Education of the Independent State of Croatia; ~~Franjo JOVICH~~, Ustashi, former commander of the camp in Banja Luka; ~~Nik FILIPOVICH~~, Ustashi, former member of Parliament; ~~Ilija SARAVANJA~~, former "procelnik" (Polit com.) in the ustashi chief political police.

Secret field organisation and service. - As the second instrument is the so called "SECRET FIELD ORGANISATION AND SERVICE".

The chief of this organisation is ~~Veliko PECNIKAR~~ personally.

Collaborators: ~~Ivan DEVCICH~~, ustashi lieutenant, otherwise an old emigrant; ~~Petar SIMICH~~, personal secretary of ~~Lovro SUSICH~~; ~~Zvonko BILAK~~, former employer of ~~PAVELICH~~'s legation in Rome. Now he serves for contact with the fascist organisations; ~~Dr. Bozidar ANICH~~, priest from Kula near Metkovich. Bif Ustashi. Now serves for contact with the Italian monasteries in which are hiding Ustashies, named as criminals of war; ~~Ivan PEGI "Djovani"~~, from Split, who a few months ago came from Yugoslavia (among us it is believed that he belongs to OZNA and that he has been put there with the task for Italy. He is employed in Rome as a printer in an Italian printing house in Via de Cesbris 51.

The contact of this organisation is on a wide basis and it seems that they are working without stopping.

The chief organiser of contact in Rome is ~~Zvonko KOJADIN~~, who is hiding under the false name of ~~Zajin MUFTICH~~, he lives in Via Pieve 70. Otherwise he is in contact with of the vatican secret police and especially in the American information service.

For contact are:

-For Austria: ~~Fra Stjepan JELCICH~~, priest; ~~Dr. Ivan COLICH~~, canon, ~~Don Mate PAPAC~~; ~~Zdravko Bjelac MARICH~~; ~~Marko KURMOVICH~~ and ~~Pesip PINTER~~.

-For Germany and Belgium: ~~Zlatko BARBARICH~~, ~~Ilija JURICH~~ and ~~Petar JUKOVICH~~.

For Yugoslavia: One group of Ustashies in Trieste, that is to say in a village near Trieste, on Italian territory (Beluno). This group consists of ~~Ivo BABICH~~, former High Governor in Travnik, ~~Hasan JURICH~~ professor and former High Governor, former agent of the military police in Sarajevo and ~~Mate FUSICH~~, innkeeper in Zagreb.

-For France: Some people from the group of ~~Dosen CIVIDINI~~. Every time another person, under false names and with Allied Movement Orders. Contact in Paris goes over ~~Dr. Andrej ARTUKOVICH~~, the organiser of the attempt on the late King Aleksandar I and ~~Dr. Jozo BUDANZICH~~, former minister of transport in the Independent State of Croatia - (Ustashi Lieutenant ~~Dosen~~, former teacher, at present interpreter to a Croatian group in Naples, working for the British; one of the most bloody Ustashies, from Gracanice. He presents himself as the member of Yugoslav Sokols and shows a legitimization of the sokols. But he was there the Ustashi information officer. It is said for him, that with his own hand he killed around 100 Serbs. He was in the personal service of ~~PAVELICH~~ and was with him when he escaped from Yugoslavia to Austria and from Austria to Italy. Captain ~~CIVIDINI~~ was also an Ustashi slaughterer, and today he is the aide to ~~Veliko PECNIKAR~~. In his apartment in Rome he hid ~~Veliko PECNIKAR~~, when the allied authori-

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ties were looking for him as a criminal of war.

For the Vatican: ~~Dr. Krunic~~ ~~DRAGANOVICH~~ (of whom was earlier written); ~~Dr. Zvonko RANKO~~, administrative chief of the ustashi camp in Fermo; ~~Dr. Andrej JELICICH~~ on service at the Vatican.

This contact goes through ~~Dr. Fra Domanik~~ ~~ANDICH~~, living in Via Po 6 in Rome.

With the Italian Authorities: Professor ~~Alija~~ ~~SULJAK~~ (personal friend of De Gasperi) ~~Alija~~ ~~SULJAK~~ was the personal friend of ~~PAVELICHICH~~. In July 1945 he personally gave a Memorandum to the Turkish Embassy, the Afghanistan and Iran Legations in Rome in which he said that the whole fault for the killing of the moslems in Bosnia was that of the Serbs; ~~Dr. Franje~~ ~~KRSTOVICH~~, lawyer from Banja Luka. ~~Dr. Baldo~~ ~~DREKICH~~ (personal friend of De Gasperi) and ~~Dr. Nikola~~ ~~BELEK~~ (also a personal friend of De Gasperi).

As contact with the Christian-democratic party are mentioned still: ~~Niko~~ ~~FILIPOVICH~~, former member of Parliament, ~~Dr. Josip~~ ~~RASPUNICH~~, General ~~CANICH~~, ~~Dr. Niko~~ ~~RPSANDICH~~ and ~~Dr. Ivo~~ ~~BOGDAN~~, former chief of ustashi propaganda in Zagreb.

-With Spanish consulate: ~~Zvonko~~ ~~RASLAJICH-DOBONJICH~~.

-With Turkish Embassy: ~~Hasan~~ ~~SULJAK~~, who has the legitimation of the Andal agency.

-With American croats: ~~Dr. Ivo~~ ~~VIDALIC~~, professor of the Zagreb University; ~~Dr. Marko~~ ~~COLAK~~, former secretary of some ministry in the Independent State of Croatia; ~~Ing. Eduard~~ ~~MANCE~~, former Minister of Post in the Independent State of Croatia, ~~Dr. SARICH~~ Arch-Bishop from Sarajevo, at present in Klagenfurt in Austria.

In America the chief activity of the ustashes is lead and that in North America Croats that are living in Chicago (Illinois), and in South America those living in Buenos Aires (Argentina).

The propaganda is performed over the Croatian newspapers in Chicago "Hrvatska Gruda", and in Canada in the "Hrvatska Danica".

The files, of the "Secret Field organisation" exists in Naples, Taranto, Redo-Emilija, Venice and Trieste.

The representatives of the Ustashi organisation in the mentioned places are the following:

Naples: till a short time ago ustashi colonel ~~VRKLJAN~~, who in the beginning of September 1946 was arrested by the allied authorities and managed to escape, and at present by the ustashi Lieutenant ~~DOSEN~~, of whom was mentioned above;

Taranto: ~~Ivan~~ ~~PERAS~~, former director of the newspaper "Nova Hrvatska"

Redo Emilija: ustashi Lieutenant ~~Novalija~~ ~~DJESKOVICH~~ and Mrs. ~~Mara~~ ~~ERENCICH~~, the wife of General ~~ERENCICH~~ (in this town are still living around 17 former employers of ~~PAVELICH~~'s legation in Rome; the names and addresses of these people are being looked for);

Venice (town): ~~Dr. Nikola~~ ~~RUSCANOVICH~~, former, mayor head for Sussk;

Trieste: the already mentioned ~~BABICH~~, ~~TURICH~~ and the brothers ~~PUSICH~~, as also the illfamed ~~Ivan~~ ~~HLADNIK~~, the chief of the Ustashi "Crna Ruka" (Black Hand) in Trieste;

Courrier service inbetween the center in Rome that is to say in Fermo and the files are lead by:

-~~Stanko~~ ~~RAJICH~~ relations Rome-Fermo;

-~~Josip~~ ~~SAVOLJA~~ relations Rome-Redo Emilija;

-~~Ivica~~ ~~HITREC~~ relations Fermo-Senegal-Ricone;

-~~Boza~~ ~~RAJICH~~, ustashi lieutenant, relations Fermo-Baniali-
(Naples)-Termini;

-~~Jure~~ ~~MIBETICH~~, student of law, relations Fermo-Trieste,

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-Ivan TAJNFLO, student of medicine, relations Rome-Trieste. The place where the distinguished ustashi functioniers live. The present place of habitation of the distinguished functioniers, who have been proclaimed criminals of war:

-Dr. Ivan SARICH, Arch-Bishop of Sarajevo, lives together with the Slovenian Bishop ROZMAN in Klagenfurt in Austria in the Bishops palace there.

-Dr. Zafar ~~KULENOVICH~~, former, Vice President of the Independent State of Croatia, handed over by the allies to Tito.

-Dr. Osman ~~KULENOVICH~~, former, minister without portopholio handed to Tito.

-Dr. Viktor ~~KAUTICH~~, former High Governor from Sanja Luka and well know ustashi killer, handed to Tito.

-Marshal ~~KVATERNIK~~, handed to Tito.

-General Miroslav NAVRATIL, former, Yugoslav Air Force Lieutenant in pension, from Sarajevo. His father is of Czechoslovak origin, who was a rail road employee during the time of Austria. He was pensioned before the war because of being pro-German. In the Independent State of Croatia he changed his name to "Fridrich" and said that he was of German origin. He was Minister of War. He escaped when the partisans were coming forward and lived in Austria in Zell am See where he was caught by the allies and for some time he was in an SS camp with captured Germans. From there later on he was handed to Tito.

-Mehmed ALAJBEGOVICH, former, minister of Foreign Affairs of the Independent State of Croatia, handed to Tito.

-General Matija ~~GANICH~~, former, Yugoslav Colonel later on PAVELICH's general and MINISTER of the army. At present he is living in Rome, his address is being looked for. On him depend many H.S.S. politicians in Rome and say that he was alright. There was even a letter that he be received in the camp of Eboli, which was refused.

-General Dragutin RUPCICH, is hiding somewhere in Italy.

-Dr. HEFER, former, minister of the peasants in the Independent State of Croatia, is living at present in Rome (address yet not known); formally he was a member of Parliament for the H.S.S. and joined PAVELICH otherwise the followers of the H.S.S. say that he is not mixed in any ustashi dirty work.

-Dragutin TOT, is still in Allies hands and was shut in the camp Terni in Italy, from where he managed to escape. He is hiding somewhere in the surrounding of Naples.

-General KREN, former, active Yugoslav Air Force Captain, who just before the war started escaped to Austria to the Germans. Later he was minister and commander of the Air Force of the Independent State of Croatia. He was in the P.W. camp Grumo near Bari in the hands of the Allies. This camp has been reformed. For his present place of habitation there is a search.

-Vjekoslav BRANICH, former, minister of the Independent State of Croatia he was in the hands of the Allies in the camp of Terni, from where he managed to escape and at present is in hiding in Rome.

-Danijel ~~GLIEN~~, ustashi lieutenant, otherwise a priest, abbo of PAVELICH, and next to that the chief of the ustashi propaganda, he was in Italy in the ustashi camp Fermo, from where he managed to escape. Not known at present where he is.

Dr. Stjepo FERICH, PAVELICH's former ambassador in Rome, he is hiding somewhere near Naples.

STIR, ustashi colonel, was till a short time the administrative organ in the camp Banja Luka where he tasked ustashi

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ideology and published the ustashi newspaper "Velebit". In August 1946 he was arrested by the British authorities and taken to an unknown place.

-Ljubo MILOS, illfamed ustashi killer from Jasenovac and Lepoglav. He says that he personally killed 4,000 Serbs. By one report he is in the ustashi camp Fermo, and by another he escaped from camp and is hiding somewhere in Italy.

-Dr. Mirko PUK, well known "criminal from Glinč", is in exile. It is said that he is either in France or in Spain.

-Zivan KUVEGDZICH, peasant from Ilach, otherwise former PAVELICH minister without portofolio, is in Allied hands. Where he is shut up is not known.

-Vjekoslav BLASKOV, PAVELICH's chief of the Worker Union, is in Allied hands. Where he is shut up is not known.

-Viljim CECELJA, priest, is somewhere in exile in Austria.

-Dr. Josip BALEN, PAVELICH's minister for the forest, is in exile somewhere in Austria.

-Janko TORTICH, PAVELICH's minister of Social Politics, is in exile somewhere in Bavaria.

*Dr. Andrija ARTUKOVICH, is in hiding somewhere in France, most likely in Paris.

- (Dr) Jozef LUSANZICH, PAVELICH's minister of Transport, is in hiding somewhere in France.

*Dr. Edo BULAT, managed to go to Argentina.

-Milovan ZANICH, died in prison in Terni, Italy.

FINANCIAL MEANS. Next to great amount of gold, which Vilko PECNIKAR brought when he escaped from Yugoslavia the ustashi organisation is helped by:

-American Croats-Ustashies. Their sendings arrive over (Dr) Franjo KNEZEVICH, Dr. Ivan JURISICH and Petar SIMICH who are all in Rome.

*The Vatican from their means for information service. These means are given over Dr. Fra Dominik MANDICH in Rome.

MORAL HELP. On the first place moral help to the ustashies is shown by the Vatican, over which also goes a great deal of correspondence, as also contact with ustashies left behind and especially with priests in the country. On the second place come the American Croats, who help them with propaganda and newspapers. On the third place and the Allies themselves, being from not knowing the situation, or from some special reasons. The best proof for this, is that in Naples is employed by the British of the work one group of 320 Ustashies from the camp of Fermo, and under the command of the Ustashi Killer BOSEN. Dressed in British uniforms, these Ustashies carry on their sleeve the Croatian arms, and on their caps they separate sign something like PAVELICH's unit "Danica".

Finally, moral help is given to the Ustashies by all the fascist elements in Italy, helping them in holding contact and giving them material help.

THE POLITICAL PROGRAM, is unchanged. Hate towards the Serbs, and also towards all those who represent the Yugoslav outlook.

Political-Cultural-Education work in the camp Fermo is very wide spread and is lead quite in the spirit of the ustashi ideology.

WORK IN CROATIA. The wish of the Ustashestian emigration is that the

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Crusaders movement in Croatia is changed over to the Ustashi. On the formation of this plan everything is done through the ustashi priests and bringing into the country ustashies, especially the smaller leaders in the country whom the Crusaders should have to change successively into Ustashies. On this is especially working Dr. DRAGANO VICH. Regarding in valid information there has been sent to Croatia a certain number of armed ustashies. The arms were received by the Italian fascists organisation.

C O N C L U S I O N

1. Even if small numbered, the ustashies are very active in their work, having the help of the catholic church, Italian fascist remand Croatsians who are on their side in emigration in America and till a certain point the British Allies and Americans, -They represent a great harm and great danger for the state when it is freed of the present Tito regime.
2. For open fighting against the Ustashies, apart from the press and propaganda there are no momental conditions, therefore one has to go full force ahead on these means, trying especially to show to the Western Allies the Ustashi real colors, and to unble them.
3. Of the work and movement of the ustashies one has to lead a strong evidence and to gather details of the whole work and of everyone of them, so that in the moment, when an open battle can be lead against them, there would be the necessary materilas and proofs.

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